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SUBJECT: COPENHAGEN SUMMIT ENDS ON POSITIVE NOTE

THE HAGUE FOR UNDER SECRETARY DONALDSON

REF: COPENHAGEN 3185

SUMMARY: EUROPEAN SUMMIT CONCLUDED AFTER MIDNIGHT ON SECONDDAY, WITH ISSUANCE BY DANISH PRIME MINISTER JORGENSE, SERVING AS EC PRESIDENT, OF AGREED STATEMENT. (SEE SEPTEL) STATEMENT WAS SUPPLEMENTED BY ANNEX ON ENERGY, THE SUBJECT WHICH HAS CONTINUED TO DOMINATE PUBLIC THINKING HERE. JORGENSEN NOTED THAT ANNEX DID NOT CONSTITUTE REJECTION OF SECRETARY KISSINGER'S ENERGY PROPOSAL. JORGENSEN AND DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER ANDERSEN MET WITH VISIT ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS, WHO ALSO HELD PRESS CONFERENCE TO EXPOUND THEIR VIEWS ABOUT NECESSITY FOR EUROPE TO PRESSURE ISRAEL INTO COMPLIANCE WITH UN RESOLUTIONS. MOOD AMONG EC REPRESENTATIVES AND JOURNALISTS WAS BOYANT AT CONCLUSION, WITH IMPORTANT EXCEPTION OF DUTCH. ORTOLI AND VARIOUS OTHER SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS HAVE ISSUED STATEMENTS POINTING WITH PRIDE AT RESULTS OF MEETING. GENERAL FEELING HERE IS THAT PROGRESS MAY HAVE BEEN ACHIEVED AND THAT, ABOVE ALL, POSSIBLE DISASTER HAS CERTAINLY BEEN AVERTED. END SUMMARY.

1. ARABS AND THEIR OIL CONTINUED TO OCCUPY CENTER OF STAGE DURING SECOND DAY OF EC SUMMIT MEETING IN COPENHAGEN. HOWEVER, AS REFLECTED IN AGREED STATEMENT MADE BY DANISH INTERIM PRIME MINISTER JORGENSEN WHEN MEETING FINALLY ADJOURNED SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT DECEMBER 16, HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT DID FIND TIME TO DISCUSS BROAD RANGE OF OTHER ISSUES. COMMISSION PRESIDENT ORTOLI PRAISED MEETING FOR GIVING EUROPE IMPULSE FOR WHICH IT WAS WAITING, AND JOURNALISTS DISCERNED A SENSE OF GRATIFICATION AMONG THE VARIOUS NATIONAL DELEGATIONS, WITH THE DUTCH A PROMINENT EXCEPTION. PREVAILING FEELING IS THAT COMMUNITIES HAVE ONCE AGAIN AVOIDED POSSIBLE DISASTER AND THUS HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS TOWARD GOAL OF JOINTLY RESOLVING CONFLICT SITUATIONS.

2. JORGENSEN MET VERY BRIEFLY WITH FOUR VISITNG ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS AND GREETED THEM ON BEHLAF OF NINE, IN HIS CAPACITY AS CHAIRMAN OF THE CONFERENCE. HE NOTED SIMPLY THAT "THE HEADS OF STATES OR GOVERNMENTS OF THE NINE EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN INFORMED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF THE MESSAGE YOU HAVE BROUGHT US AND WE ARE GOING TO STUDY IT FURTHER." HE THEN PASSED THE ARAB FONMINS ON TO THE ACTING DANISH FOREIGN MINISTER, K.B. ANDERSEN, WHO WOULD INFORM THEM OF THE PRELIMINARYREACTION OF THE COMMUNITY TO THEIR MESSAGE.

3. ANDERSEN LATER GAVE THE PRESS THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT OF HIS MEETING WITH HIS ARAB COUNTERPARTS: I TOLD THE ARABS THIS WAS THE OPENING OF A DIALOGUE. MY ANSWER WAS ONLY A PRELIMINARY ONE, AS UNDER THE COMMUNITIY'S INSTITUTIONS, I WAS NOT QUALIFIED TO GIVE A FIRM REPLY. THE MEASURES YOU (ARABS) HAVE TAKEN HAVE SERIOUSLY HURT WESTERN EUROPE AND HAVE HAD A NEGATIVE INFLUENCE ON PUBLIC OPINION,

WHICH WAS BECOMING MORE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ARAB POSITION. AS LONG AS OUR ATTENTION IS CONSTANTLY DIVERTED BY MEASURES WHICH HAVE DAMAGING EFFECTS ON US, EUROPE CAN NOT CONTRIBUTE TO A JUST AND LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST, NOR CAN IT PLAY A ROLE IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THAT AREA OR THE THIRD WORLD. ANDERSEN ADDED JOCARLY THAT HE HAD APOLOGIZED FOR THE LACK OF HEAT IN THE ROOM IN WHICH THEY WERE MEETING BUT SAID THAT HE WAS SURE THEY WOULD UNDERSTAND. ANDERSEN CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT THE ARABS REPLIED THEY REALIZED HIS WAS ONLY A PRELIMINARY ANSWER.

4. THE FOUR ARAB FOUNDMEN (ALGERIA, TUNISIA, SUDAN AND UAE) SUBSEQUENTLY HELD WELL ATTENDED PRESS CONFERENCE AT WHICH THEY SOUNDED A NUMBER OF WELL WORN THEMES. SUDANESE KHALED EXPLAINED THEY HAD COME ON MISSION OF PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP AND WERE GRATEFUL FOR DANISH HOSPITALITY. ASKED WHETHER THEY HAD ACHIEVED ANYTHING, HE REPLIED: YES. WE WANT TO CONTINUE AND INTENSIFY DIALOGUE WITH WESTERN EUROPE IN OUR COMMON INTERESTS. OUR RELATIONS ARE OF PARAMOUNT IMPORTANCE FOR PEACE AND SECURITY. THE TALKS AUGUR WELL FOR A MORE INTENSE DIALOGUE. WE HAVE EXPLAINED ARAB POSITION IN VERY DANGEROUS SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST. WE MADE IT CLEAR THIS IS GOOD WILL VISIT. IT IS A VERY GOOD BEGINNING AT STRENGTHENING RELATIONS WITH EUROPE. WE REPRESENT 19 ARAB COUNTRIES, BOTH OIL PRODUCERS AND NON-PRODUCERS.

5. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION ABOUT ANDERSEN'S SPECIFIC REACTION TO THEIR DEMARCHE, TUNISIAN MASMOUDI SAID: THE SUMMIT HAS PRODUCED GOOD RESULTS. WE HAVE COME TO EXPRESS THE NEW SPIRIT IN THE ARAB WORLD AND WE ARE SEEKING A NEW SPIRIT ON THE EUROPEAN SIDE. EUROPE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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IS EXPLORING ITS OWN DIRECTION, WE HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT EUROPEANS HAVE OPENED DOOR FOR A DIALOGUE. THE QUESTION IS WHEN, IN WHAT FRAMEWORK, BY WHAT METHODS, AND IN WHAT SPIRIT THIS DIALOGUE WILL BE CONTINUED. WE WANT A DIALOGUE WITH WESTERN EUROPE.

6. ARABS WERE ASKED FOR MORE DATA ON OIL SITUATION AS IT IS EXPECTED TO DEVELOP IN NEAR FUTURE, AND WHETHER EMBARGO WILL BE MADE MORE FLEXIBLE. ALGERIAN BOUET FLIKA REPLIED THAT ARAB OIL POLICY IS BEING REGULARLY DEFINED BY THE ARAB MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR OIL. THEY MEET REGULARLY, USUALLY IN KUWAIT. THE ALGIERS SUMMIT COMPLETELY ENDORSED THEIR DECISIONS. FROM POLITICAL POINT OF VIEW, NEW LIGHT HAS NOW BEEN CAST ON THE MIDDLE EAST. THIS DRAWS WORLD'S ATTENTION TO FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE OF RAW MATERIALS. THE ARAB AREA HAS IMPORTANT TIES WITH WESTERN EUROPE. WE HAVE ASKED FOR SHORT, MEDIUM AND LONG TERM COOPERATION BETWEEN EUROPE AND AFRICA. THE ARAB LEAGUE IS DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC AXIS AND CAN BECOME A VERY IMPORTANT PARTNER. THE KUWAIT DECISIONS WILL BE SCRUPULOUSLY EXECUTED, BUT WITH MODIFICATIONS FOR SPECIFIC COUNTRIES OR GROUPS OF COUNTRIES. WE ARE NOT ASKING EUROPE TO SIDE WITH THE ARABS AGAINST ISRAEL BUT EUROPE SHOULD PLAY ITS FULL ROLE IN THE

SETTLING OF WORLD PROBLEMS. EUROPE SHOULD EXERT ITS INFLUENCE
TO OBTAIN ARAB RECOVERY OF THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES AND FULL IM-
PLEMENTATION OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS.

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7. ISRAELI CORRESPONDENT ASKED WHETHER ARABS WOULD BE SATISFIED
WITH WITHDRAWAL TO 1967 BOUNDARIES AND RECOGNITION OF RIGHTS OF
PALESTINIANS. IF SO, WHAT ARE RIGHTS OF PALESTINIANS? TUNISIAN
REPLIED: LONG BEFORE ALGIERS MEETING - IN UN, IN SC, AT AFRICAN

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ENCOUNTERS, AT ALGIERS SUMMIT ITSELF, AND IN BRUSSELS DECLARATION OF NOVEMBER 6, THERE HAS BEEN A RECOGNITION OF THE NECESSITY TO EVACUATE THE TERRITORIES OCCUPIED IN 1967. ISRAEL HAS SO FAR MET THIS ISSUE WITH DEFIANCE, CONTEMPT AND WAR. THE ORGANIZATIONS FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION OF PALESTINE IS THE SOLE REPRESENTATIVE AND IS SOLELY QUALIFIED TO DEFINE THE PALESTINIANS NATIONAL RIGHTS. SO FAR, NOBODY HAS ASKED IT TO DO SO. IF, AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, THE PALESTINIANS WERE TO BE INVITED AS THE SOLE REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR COMMUNITY, THAT WOULD BE A VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION. AS LONG AS THE VALID RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIANS HAVE NOT BEEN MET, THERE CAN BE NO SECURITY OR STABILITY. SUDANESE FMNMIN ADDED THAT 1967 BORDERS SHOULD NOT BE TAKEN IN ISOLATION. HE REFERRED TO UN RESOLUTIONS AND JARRING MISSION AND CONCLUDED: TO THE QUESTION IF THEY WOULD WITHDRAW THE ISRAELIS HAVE REFUSED TO ANSWER. UNLESS PRESSURE IS BROUGHT TO BEAR ON ISRAEL THERE CAN BE NO PEACE.

8. ALGERIAN FON MIN OBSERVED: WE ARE ENVOYS OF HEADS OF STATE OF 19 ARAB COUNTRIES. OUR CONTACTS HERE HAVE NOT BEEN SOLELY ON SPECIFIC ISSUES. OUR AIM WAS TO INITIATE A DIALOGUE. THERE EXISTS NOW SUCH AN INTERRELATIONSHIP OF INTEREST THAT EUROPE MUST RETHINK ITS OWN POLICY AND NO LONGER ISOLATE MEDITERRANEAN AND AFRICAN COUNTRIES. THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING OF A VERY BROAD DEBATE THAT WILL CERTAINLY HAVE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND WILL LEAD TO MORE CONTACTS WITH THE ARABS AND AFRICANS. WITH REGARD TO OIL, EUROPE IS NOT THE VICTIM OF PUNITIVE TREATMENT. REDUCTION OF OIL PRODUCTION HAD BEEN DECIDED IN KUWAIT ANYHOW. AS FAR AS ALGERIA IS CONCERNED, EACH BARREL OF OIL UNTAPPED IS ALREADY INVESTED. ENORMOUS CAPITAL INVESTMENTS ARE INVOLVED. WE ARE NOW INVESTING \$100 MILLION A YEAR IN SEEKING FOR OIL. WE WANT TO SELL THAT OIL. UNTIL WE DECIDED TO REDUCE PRODUCTION, THE BIG PRODUCERS HAVE BEEN MAKING SACRIFICES BY PRODUCING OIL. SAUDI ARABIA COULD KEEP ITS PRESENT LEVEL OF PROSPERITY BY SELLING ONLY 20 PERCENT OF ITS CURRENT OUTPUT. THIS OVERPRODUCTION MEANS A PERMANENT EROSION OF OUR RESOURCES. THERE HAVE BEEN RECENT OFFERS FOR OIL AT \$17 A BARREL. IN 1969, ALGERIA WAS SELLING TO THE FRENCH AT \$2.08 PER BARREL AND NEGOTIATING FOR AN INCREASE TO \$2.85, WHICH WAS UNACCEPTABLE TO THE FRENCH. BEHIND ARABS STAND ALL OF NON-ALIGNED AND LDCS WHO WANT STUDIES TO BE MADE OF MATERIALS AND THEIR VALORIZATION. PHOSPHATE METALS COFFEE COCOA AND SUGAR WERE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED.)

9. ALGERIAN CONTINUED THAT INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS ACCEPTED UN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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RESOLUTIONS AND SC RESOLUTIONS. ONLY THE US AND ISRAEL HAVE NOT DONE THIS, WHILE PAYING LIP SERVICE TO THEM. THE DEADLOCK HAD TO BE BROKEN. THERE IS STILL COLONIZATION AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN AFRICA. THERE EXISTS A LINK BETWEEN SITUATIONS IN ANGOLA, RHODESIA, SOUTH AFRICA AND ISRAEL. WE HAVE A FEELING WE ARE BEING ENCIRCLED. WHAT HAS HAPPENED IS A DIPLOMATIC PEARL HARBOR FOR ISRAEL. WE ARE WAITING FOR EUROPE'S MESSAGE. WE DO NOT ASK FOR A BREAK OF

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. BUT WE ASK WHETHER EUROPE IS REALLY POWERLESS. IS THE SITUATION REALLY MONOPOLIZED BY THE SUPER POWERS? IN ISSUE OF PEACE IN MIDDLE EAST, ROLE OF EUROPE TO CONVINCE ISRAELIS TO ACCEPT VERDICT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. TO WHAT EXTENT CAN WE RELY ON EUROPE?

10. JOURNALIST LATER ASKED JORGENSEN AND ANDERSEN WHETHER SUMMIT DECLARATION HAD NOT GIVEN ARABS A BLANK CHECK BY REFERRING TO "LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIANS" IN VIEW OF UNCERTAINTY AMONG ARABS AS TO WHAT THOSE RIGHTS ARE. DANES REPLIED THAT THEY WERE NOT INFORMED ABOUT ARAB PRESS CONFERENCE STATEMENTS AND WERE JUST REFERRING BACK TO EARLIER EC POSITION.

11. AN ESTIMATED 8,000 PEOPLE DEMONSTRATED AGAINST THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES AT A MEETING IN FRONT OF DANISH PARLIAMENT ON DECEMBER 15

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SPEAKERS FOR VARIOUS ELEMENTS WHICH OPPOSE AGAINST COMMUNITIES' IMPINGEMENT ON DANISH SOVEREIGNTY. ONE SPEAKER CALLED FOR IMPEACHMENT OF ANKER JORGENSEN ON GROUNDS THAT SUMMIT MEETING WAS TAKING DECISIONS FOR WHICH DANISH GOVERNMENT DID NOT HAVE MANDATE.

12. COMMENT: THE FOUR VISITING ARAB FOREIGN MINISTERS HAVE CONTINUED TO EXERT MAGNETIC ATTRACTION ON PUBLIC ATTENTION, COMPLETELY OVERSHADOWING SUMMIT'S AVOWED PURPOSE OF STRENGTHENING EUROPEAN COORDINATION AND COOPERATION. HOWEVER, PROGRESS WAS APPARENTLY MADE IN FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF COMMON EUROPEAN POLICIES. EXTENT OF FORWARD MOVEMENT WILL NOT BECOME KNOWN UNTIL LESS PRESTIGIOUS INDIVIDUALS START TO IMPLEMENT MANDATES RECEIVED AT SUMMIT.

THIS PROCESS WILL BEGIN ALMOST IMMEDIATELY, WITH MEETINGS OF EC FOREIGN

AND FINANCIAL MINISTERS IN BRUSSELS ON DECEMBER 17 AND 18.

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